"1—Land Revenue—B(c)—Dearness Allowance". For the work in connection with the preparation of final Electoral Rolls, *i.e.* the number of claims and objections having been very large, a clerk on Rs. 30 to each of the 5 Taluk Offices and a clerk on Rs. 40 to the Diwan Peishkar's Office have been sanctioned for a period of 6 months from 1st Makaram 1120. The amounts which have mentioned just now are necessary for the pay, and the dearness allowance of the staff. I request that the same may be granted.

Demands put and carried

62. Rs. 1 400 under "1—Land Revenue—C—Contribution to Central Bank of India"

Mr. A. Madhava Prabhu *(Diwan Peishkar):* I beg to move for an additional allotment of Rs. 1,400 under "1—Land Revenue—C—Contribution to the Central Bank of India." The Central Bank of India is being paid Rs. 4,200 for working the Cochin-Kanayannur and the Trichur Treasuries. Owing to the increase in the treasury transactions, the contribution to the Bank has been enhanced by 33 1/3per cent from 1st Chingam 1120. An Additional Allotment of Rs. 1,400 is necessary for 1120. I request that the same be granted.

Demands put and carried

63. Rs. 800 under "1—Land Revenue—6—Statistical Branch—contingencies—Office expenses

Mr. A. Madhava Prabhu *(Diwan Peishkar)*: I beg to move for an additional allotment of Rs. 800 under "1—Land Revenue—6—Statistical Branch—Contingencies—Office Expenses" The Statistical Department had been using a hired typewriter. It is not a good one and had to be got repaired very often. There is also no chance of getting any new machine for hire. If a new machine is purchased there is no need for any hire charges, Hence the purchase of a rebuilt policy size Remington Standard Typewriter was sanctioned. Its cost would come to Rs. 800. No provision has been made in the current year's budget under "1—Land Revenue —6—Statistical Branch" for the purchase as it was not anticipated that rebuilt machines would be available for purchase. Funds are not also available for reappropriation. Hence an additional allotment of Rs. 800 is necessary. I request that this may be granted.

Demand put and carried

64. Rs. 2,166 under "1—Land Revenue—6—Statistical Branch—Budget Enquiry—Honorarium"

65. Rs. 312 under "1—Land Revenue—6—Statistical Branch—Budget Enquiry Dearenss Allowances"

66. Rs. 622 under "1—Laud Revenue—6—Statistical Branch—Budget Enquiry—Travelling Allowance"

Mr. A. Madhava Prabhu *(Diwan Peishkar):* I beg to move for the additional allotments of Rs. 2,166 under "1—Land Revenue—6—Statistical Branch—Budget Enquiry—Honorarium", Rs. 312 under "1—Land Revenue—6—Statistical Branch—Budget Enquiry—Dearness Allowance" and Rs. 622 under "1—Land Revenue—6—Statistical Branch—Budget Enquiry—Travelling Allowance." Now the period of the staff that was appointed for the purpose of conducting family budget enquiry has been extended since their work was not completed within the six months originally sanctioned. This Rs. 2,164 is to meet the Honorariam to be paid and Rs. 312 is Dearness Allowance and Rs.622 is travelling allowance for the members of the staff. I request that these may be granted.

Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri):* May I know what is the enquiry that is conducted by the staff ?

Mr. A. Madhava Prabhu *(Diwan Peishkar):* For them prepartion of cost of living, index of the skilled and unskilled labourers of Cochin, Ernakulam and Trichur Towns and suburbs, an enquiry has been started from the beginning of this year and it is hoped that it will be completed by the end of next month.

Demands put and carried

The House rose for lunch at 1-30 p.m. and reassembled at 2-30 p.m. with the Hon'ble President in the Chair.

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